DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below-named inventors, we declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below under our names.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the foregoing specification, including the claims, and we believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the invention entitled "AN ELECTRICAL CONNECTION GROUNDING ELEMENT FOR USE WITH A PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD AND AN ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT CHASSIS," which is described and claimed in the foregoing specification.

We acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. \S 1.56(a).

The undersigned hereby appoints the firm of Jensen & Puntigam, P.S., consisting of Robert A. Jensen, Registration No. 24,268 and Clark A. Puntigam, Registration No. 25,763, members of the Bar of the State of Washington, 2033 Sixth Avenue, Suite 1020, Seattle, Washington 98121, as its attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application to register, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the registration thereof, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith.

We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.

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